

Neighbourhood is the slogan of the summer edition of the Mood for Wood international design workshops. From July 23 to August 3 in Cieszyn, students and young designers from Poland, Czechia, Hungary and Slovakia will design and build urban furniture for residents on both Polish and Czech sides of the border. The workshops are organised by SARP (Polish Architects' Associations) Poznań and the Common Point Association.

Mood for Wood is an international design workshop for students and young designers interested in a hands-on implementation of their ideas. Over the course of twelve (!) days of workshops, with the help of recognised architects and designers from around the world and experienced carpenters, students will design and construct pieces of urban furniture for selected local communities in Cieszyn. It is the design stage - with the help of participatory tools - that distinguishes the Mood for Wood project from similar student workshops. Participants not only make furniture by themselves, but also determine their form in cooperation with the residents. Students will work on a specific location, meet the users of the space, get to know their needs, and tackle issues related to a particular place. In order to create their designs, participants' ideas must receive the approval of recipients (users). Then, on the basis of the developed cost estimate, they place an order for specific materials which will be used to hand-build furniture or installations.

The main summer edition of the Mood for wood workshop will be held in Cieszyn from July 23 to August 3. The theme of the summer edition will be *Neighbourhood*, and its participants will be designers and students from Poland, Czechia, Hungary and Slovakia, who will create furniture with the aim of integrating residents on both sides of the border.

SUMMER EDITION - NEIGHBOURHOOD

One of the most difficult challenges in shaping the space of today's cities is to provide a framework for meeting others as well as for finding a sense of belonging to a community. To create places where diversity will not be associated with fear or exclusion, and where the community will not be based on closure and fear of others, but where everyone will be able to find the right balance between privacy and belonging. Simply, places where strangers become neighbours. Creating such spaces seems particularly important in places like Cieszyn. The city, politically divided 100 years ago between Poland and Czechia, seems to be an ideal training ground in the quest to build communities and a sense of neighbourhood through architecture and spatial interventions. Do you want to take on this challenge with us?

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STUDENT RECRUITMENT

Applications can be submitted through the application form on the www.moodforwood.com website from the 18th of March until the 18th of May. Organisers will contact successful applicants via e-mail before the 22nd of May.

IMPORTANT INFO

Due to COROVID-19 outbreak any payment will not be necessary during the application period. The application fee for qualified participants will not be required until we will be 100% sure that the workshop will take place.

Cost: 150 euro

Cost of the workshops includes:

- accommodation in Cieszyn during the period 23.07-03.08.2020
- full board (breakfast, lunch, supper)
- coffee breaks
- travel to/from Cieszyn (students from Czech Republic departure in Prague or Brno, students from Hungary departure from Budapest, students from Slovakia departure from Bratislava, students from Poland public transport from any location in the country)
- public transport in Cieszyn
- Health and Safety training ending with a certificate
- work materials for the workshops
- package of gadgets from Mood for Wood

WEBSITE

www.moodforwood.com

ORGANIZERS

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